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Complaint on First-Class Mail Standards

Docket No. C2001-3

## PRESIDING OFFICER'S RULING GRANTING MOTION FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE

(Issued January 25, 2002)

The Postal Service has submitted a motion for late acceptance of its response to a multi-part question submitted by Mr. Popkin. Motion for Late Acceptance of Filing of Responses of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatories of David Popkin (DBP/USPS-137(a-l) and ((p-t), January 23, 2002. The Service acknowledges that responses were due about three weeks ago, but states that an integrated response to these questions required, among other things, several rounds of communication with personnel in the field and subsequent analysis of the information provided. Given the extent of coordination involved in providing these responses and intervening holidays, the Service's motion is granted.

## **RULING**

The Service's Motion for Late Acceptance of Filing of Responses of the United States Postal Service to Interrogatories of David Popkin (DBP/USPS-137(a-I) and ((p-t), filed January 23, 2002, is granted.

Ruth Y. Goldway
Presiding Officer